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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Communication mailed December 18, 2003. The Office Action indicates that Applicants are required to elect a single disclosed species, and that currently claims 1-13 and 17-22 are generic. In order to comply with this requirement, Applicants elect to prosecute Species 1A as claimed in claim 14. Therefore, it is understood that the claims to be prosecuted will be claims 1-14 and 17-22.

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Respectfully submitted,

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